AP United States History Unit 3- The American Revolution Topic: Taxation Without Representation

Thought Questions-

Stamp Act

* Explain how the British, given their views of the relationship with British North America, believed themselves justified in imposing the Stamp Act on the colonies.

* Explain why the colonists reacted as they did to the Stamp Act. What was the basis of their argument, and what were they trying to achieve?

The Boston Massacre

* Briefly summarize the interactions between the British government and North American colonists that led to the Boston Massacre.

* Explain how John Adams's defense of British troops in Boston demonstrated the strength of the rule of law in colonial America.

The Boston Tea Party

* Were the protests in Boston an expression of popular sentiment or caused by the leadership of the elites? Explain your answer.

* Explain how the colonists' belief in individual and political rights and liberties influenced their resistance to the Coercive Acts. What was the British response?